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	A. REGISTRANT IDENTIF	FICATION		
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8000 Towers Crescent Drive, Suite 1	350			
	(No. and Street)			
Vienna	Virginia	221	82	
(City)	(State)	(Zip	(Zip Code)	
NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBE Robert Kipps	R OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN		RT 3-847-3690	
		(Ar	ea Code – Telephone Number	
I	B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTI	FICATION		
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNT	TANT whose opinion is contained	d in this Report*		
	(Name – if individual, state las	st, first, middle name)		
2120 Powers Ferry Road	Atlanta	Georgia	30339	
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<sup>\*</sup>Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See Section 240.17a-5(e)(2)

## OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Robert Kipps	, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of
my knowledge and belief the accompanying KippsDeSanto & Company	financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of
of December 31	, as , 20 <u>07</u> , are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that
	etor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account
Commonwealth Virgi	Signature  CEO/CCO/Managing Director
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This report ** contains (check all applicable ☐ (a) Facing Page. ☐ (b) Statement of Financial Condition. ☐ (c) Statement of Income (Loss).	boxes): Votary Reg # 120159
(d) Statement of Changes in Financial C	rs' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietors' Capital.
<ul> <li>☑ (h) Computation for Determination of R</li> <li>☑ (i) Information Relating to the Possessi</li> <li>☐ (j) A Reconciliation, including appropri</li> </ul>	eserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.  on or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.  ate explanation of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
<ul> <li>□ (k) A Reconciliation between the audite consolidation.</li> <li>□ (l) An Oath or Affirmation.</li> <li>□ (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Reconstruction.</li> </ul>	d and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of eport.
(n) A report describing any material inad-	equacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit

<sup>\*\*</sup>For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

KIPPSDESANTO & COMPANY
(Formerly Colonial Capital Partners, LLC)
Financial Statements
For the Year Ended
December 31, 2007
With
Independent Auditor's Report

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Stockholder KippsDeSanto & Company (Formerly Colonial Capital Partners, LLC)

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of KippsDeSanto & Company, as of December 31, 2007 and the related statements of operations, changes in stockholder's equity, and cash flows for the year then ended that you are filing pursuant to rule 17a-5 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of KippsDeSanto & Company, as of December 31, 2007 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained in the Schedules I, II and III is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

February 26, 2008 Atlanta, Georgia

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## KIPPSDESANTO & COMPANY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

DECEMBER 31, 2007

## **ASSETS**

		2007
Cash and cash equivalents Prepaid expenses	\$	186,478 1,200
Total Assets	<u>\$</u>	187,678
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLD	ER'S E	QUITY
LIABILITIES Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	3,060
Total Liabilities		3,060
STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY		184,618
Total Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity	<u>\$</u>	187,678

## KIPPSDESANTO & COMPANY STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2007

		2007
REVENUES	\$	182,882
Investment banking	Þ	•
Other		35,000
Total revenues		217,882
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES		
Employee compensation and benefits		6,728
Occupancy		3,450
Communications		300
Other operating expenses		11,499
Total expenses		21,977
NET INCOME	<u>\$</u>	195,905

## KIPPSDESANTO & COMPANY STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2007

		2007
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operations:	\$	195,905
Increase in prepaid expenses		(1,200)
Increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses		3,060
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		197,765
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES Contributions from stockholder Distributions to members	-	87,566 (138,269)
NET CASH USED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(50,703)
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		147,062
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS BALANCE: Beginning of year	-	39,416
End of year	<u>\$</u>	186,478

## KIPPSDESANTO & COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY

For the Year Ended December 31, 2007

Balance, December 31, 2006	\$ 39,416
Net Income	195,905
Member contributions	87,566
Distributions to members	(138,269)
Balance, December 31, 2007	<u>\$ 184,618</u>

## KIPPSDESANTO & COMPANY NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2007

## NOTE A — SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization and Description of Business: Effective December 31, 2007, Colonial Capital Partners, LLC was converted to a Virginia corporation. KippsDeSanto & Company (the "Company"), is a securities broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") that is regulated by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority.

The Company is primarily engaged in investment banking and advisory services. The Company's customers are located throughout the United States. The Company is a successor entity to Colonial Capital Partners, LLC and Banyan Capital Markets, LLC.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents:</u> The Company considers all cash and money market instruments with a maturity of ninety days or less to be cash and cash equivalents.

<u>Income Taxes:</u> The Company is taxed as a partnership for 2007 and will an S corporation in 2008. Therefore the income or losses of the Company flow through to its members or stockholder and no income taxes are recorded in the accompanying financial statements.

<u>Estimates</u>: Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Actual results could vary from the estimates that were assumed in preparing the financial statements.

<u>Investment Banking Revenues:</u> Investment banking revenues include fees from securities offerings in which the Company acts as an agent. Investment banking revenues also include fees earned from providing merger and acquisition and financial advisory services. Investment banking fees and sales commissions are recorded upon settlement. The underwriting fees are recorded at the time the underwriting is completed and the income is readily determinable.

#### NOTE B — NET CAPITAL

The Company, as a registered broker dealer is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1. At December 31, 2007, the Company had net capital of \$183,418, which was \$178,418 in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000 and its ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was .02 to 1.0.

## KIPPSDESANTO & COMPANY NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

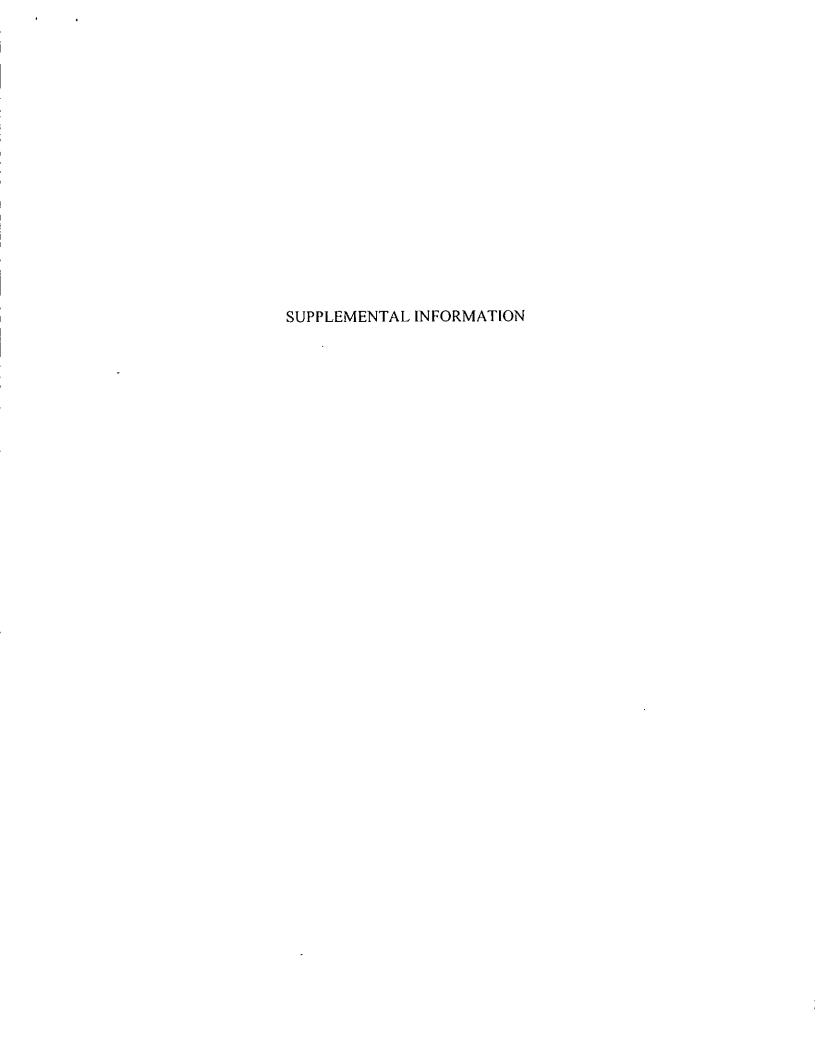
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## NOTE C – CONCENTRATIONS

All of the investment banking revenues were earned from a single customer in 2007.

#### NOTE D - RELATED PARTIES

The Company operates from premises provided by a related entity pursuant to an occupancy agreement that was effective for the last three months of 2007. Under the terms of the agreement, the Company pays \$1,250 monthly. Expense under the agreement for 2007 was \$3,750.



## SCHEDULE I KIPPSDESANTO & COMPANY

## COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15c3-1 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION ACT OF 1934 AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2007

#### **NET CAPITAL:**

Total members equity	<u>\$ 184,618</u>
Less nonallowable assets: Prepaid expenses	(1,200) (1,200)
Net capital before haircuts	183,418
Less haircuts	<del>_</del>
Net capital Minimum net capital required	183,418 
Excess net capital	<u>\$ 178,418</u>
Aggregate indebtedness	<u>\$ 3,060</u>
Ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital	02 to 1.0

RECONCILIATION WITH COMPANY'S COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL INCLUDED IN PART IIA OF FORM X-17A-5 AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2007

There is no significant difference between net capital included in Part IIA of Form X-17A-5 and net capital computed above.

#### KIPPSDESANTO & COMPANY

## SCHEDULE II COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS UNDER RULE 15c3-3 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2007

The Company is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, pursuant to paragraph (k)(2)(i) of the rule.

# SCHEDULE III INFORMATION RELATING TO THE POSSESSION OR CONTROL REQUIREMENTS UNDER RULE 15c3-3 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2007

The Company is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, pursuant to paragraph (k)(2)(i) of the rule.

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROL REQUIRED BY RULE 17a-5

To the Stockholder KippsDeSanto & Company

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of KippsDeSanto & Company, for the year ended December 31, 2007, we considered its internal control structure, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission, we have made a study of the practices and procedures (including test of compliance with such practices and procedures) followed by KippsDeSanto & Company, that we considered relevant to the objective stated in Rule 17a-5(g). We also made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11) and the procedure for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry security accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company related to the following: (1) in making the quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications and comparisons, and the recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13; (2) in complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; and (3) in obtaining and maintaining physical possession or control of all fully paid and excess margin securities of customers as required by Rule 15c3-3.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the commission's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of an internal control structure and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure or the practices and procedures referred to above, errors or irregularities may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving the internal control structure that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the Commission to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2007 to meet the Commission's objectives.

This report recognizes that it is not practicable in an organization the size of the Company to achieve all the division of duties and cross-checks generally included in a system of internal accounting control, and that alternatively, greater reliance must be placed on surveillance by management.

This report is intended solely for the use of management, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the New York Stock Exchange and other regulatory agencies which rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers and should not be used for any other purpose.

February 26, 2008 Atlanta, Georgia

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